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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: National Priorities List (NPL) – Proposed and Final Rules

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PURPOSE

This is to summarize plans for the next issuance of the NPL proposed and final rules.

OVERVIEW

The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) requires that the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP) include a list of national priorities among the known releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants throughout the United States. The National Priorities List constitutes this list. The NPL is intended primarily to guide the EPA in determining which sites warrant further investigation. These further investigations will allow the EPA to assess the nature and extent of public health and environmental risks associated with the site and to determine what CERCLA-financed remedial action(s), if any, may be appropriate.

We are finishing work on a final rule that adds four sites to the General Superfund section of the NPL, and a proposed rule that contains ten sites to propose for addition to the NPL.

Final Additions

State	Site Name	City/County
DE	Newark South Ground Water Plume	Newark
LA	American Creosote DeRidder	DeRidder
MS	Mississippi Phosphates Corporation	Pascagoula
OK	Eagle Industries	Midwest City

Proposed Additions

State	Site Name	City/County
CA	Orange County North Basin	Orange County
DE	Hockessin Groundwater	Hockessin
IN	Broadway Street Corridor Groundwater Contamination	Anderson
IN	Franklin Street Groundwater Contamination	Spencer
MN	Spring Park Municipal Well Field	Spring Park
MS	Rockwell International Wheel & Trim	Grenada
SC	Burlington Industries Cheraw	Cheraw
TN	Former Chattanooga Foundries	Chattanooga
TX	Lane Plating Works, Inc.	Dallas
TX	River City Metal Finishing	San Antonio

EPA received letters of support from the governor or state environmental agency for the NPL listing of all of the above sites. Copies of these state letters are attached. OMB concurrence has also been received. No adverse comments were received on the four final site listings, following their Federal Register publication on the proposed list in Summer 2017.

SCHEDULE

The communication plans and distribution of the NPL letters are currently set for OLEM signature and for the week of January 8-12, 2018. We can amend this plan or provide further information if you would like.

Attachments

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